

Docket No.: 062807-0015

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Hiromi UKAI, et al.

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

Application No.: 10/099,966

Customer No.: 20277
Confirmation No.: 7234

Filed: March 19, 2002

Group Art Unit: 3622

Examiner: J. D. Carlson

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING A COUPON

WRITTEN REPLY TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

An Interview regarding the above-identified application was conducted on October 20, 2006. A reply to the Office Action was filed on October 27, 2006. An Interview Summary mailed November 8, 2006 set a one-month period for a written reply containing a statement of the substance of the interview. It is believed that the October 27, 2006 response provided the required statement of the substance of the interview, on pages 13 and 14. In view of the statement in the response, further comment should be unnecessary. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the October 27, 2006 response, including the statement of the substance of the interview, and that the Examiner reconsider and allow the claims of the present application.

To the extent necessary, if any, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this

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paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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